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Sir:

#### **REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

This is in reply to the Office Action mailed March 31, 2005 the period for response thereto having been set to expire on April 30, 2005. The Office Action notes that the amendment filed by Applicants on January 10, 2005, is considered to be non-compliant because the amendment contains a status identifier that is non-compliant under 37 CFR 1.121. Claim 21 recites a claim status identifier in the list of claims as "previously presented" which is improper with the presence of amendment markings within the claim. Claim 21 was last amended in the Reply filed July 8, 2004. Applicants have amended claim 21 to remove the presence of amendment markings within the claim and maintained the claim status identifier as "previously presented".

A complete listing of claim begins on page 2 of this paper.

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